

REMARKS

Claims 1-9 were pending in the instant application. By the present amendment claims 3-7 have been canceled; claims 1, 2, 8 and 9 have been amended and new claims 10-24 have been added. Support for the amendments to the claims may be found throughout the specification and claims as originally filed. Claims 1 and 2 have been amended to bring the language of the claims in compliance with U.S. practice. Support for the amendments to claims 8 and 9 may be found at least in the original claims 3-6, and at page 4, line 27 to page 5, line 21. Support for new claim 10 may be found at least at page 19, line 23 to page 20, line 31. Support for new claims 11-17 may be found at least at page 3, lines 29-33; at page 4, lines 5-7; and at page 21, line 31 to page 22, line 32. Support for new claims 18 and 19 may be found at least at page 19, lines 3-9, and at page 36, line 20 to page 37, line 30. Support for new claims 20 and 21 may be found at least at page 5, lines 14-17, and at page 19, lines 3-11. Support for new claims 22 and 23 may be found at least at page 5, lines 14-19, and at page 17, line 8 to page 19, line 2. Support for new claim 24 may be found at least in claim 1 as originally filed. Accordingly, no new matter has been added.

Upon entry of the present amendment, claims 1-2 and 8-24 will be pending. The present amendment and/or cancellation of the claims is solely to expedite prosecution of the application, and Applicants reserve the right to pursue the claims, as originally filed, or similar claims in this or one or more subsequent patent applications.

In view of the above amendment, applicant believes the pending application is in condition for allowance, and such action is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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